

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

Claims 1-18 (**cancelled**).

Claim 19 (**previously presented**): A method of treating or reducing the extent of atherosclerosis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof, which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a combination comprising candesartan or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and rosuvastatin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claims 20-23 (**cancelled**).

Claim 24 (**currently amended; withdrawn**): A method of treating or reducing the extent of atherosclerosis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof by inhibition of expression of CD40 and/or metalloproteinases (MMPs), which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a combination comprising candesartan or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and rosuvastatin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 25 (**cancelled**).

Claim 26 (**currently amended; withdrawn**): A method of treating or reducing the extent of atherosclerosis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof by inhibition of expression of LOX-1, which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a combination comprising candesartan or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and rosuvastatin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.